

City of Brighton

*500 S. 4th Avenue
Brighton, CO 80601*



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 17, 2023

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

City Council

MAYOR - GREGORY MILLS

MAYOR PRO TEM - ADAM CUSHING

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

CLINT BLACKHURST, TOM GREEN,

MATT JOHNSTON, PETER PADILLA,

JAN PAWLOWSKI, MARY ELLEN POLLACK,

ANN TADDEO

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Mills called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

A. Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

Councilmember Pollack led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

B. Roll Call

Present: 7 - Mayor Mills, Councilmember Green, Councilmember Johnston, Councilmember Padilla, Councilmember Pawlowski, Councilmember Pollack, and Councilmember Taddeo

Absent: 2 - Mayor Pro Tem Cushing, and Councilmember Blackhurst

2. APPROVAL OF REGULAR AGENDA

Motion by Councilmember Green, seconded by Councilmember Taddeo, to approve the Regular Agenda as presented. Motion passed by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mayor Mills, Councilmember Green, Councilmember Johnston, Councilmember Padilla, Councilmember Pawlowski, Councilmember Pollack, and Councilmember Taddeo

Absent: 2 - Mayor Pro Tem Cushing, and Councilmember Blackhurst

3. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of the December 20, 2022 City Council Minutes

B. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIGHTON, COLORADO, APPOINTING THERESA BOWEN AS A MEMBER OF THE BRIGHTON HOUSING AUTHORITY WITH A TERM TO NOVEMBER 2027

Resolution No. 2023-05

C. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIGHTON, COLORADO, APPOINTING ASHLEY CALLAWAY AS AN ALTERNATE MEMBER OF THE BRIGHTON HOUSING AUTHORITY WITH A TERM TO NOVEMBER 2027

Resolution No. 2023-06

Motion by Councilmember Pawlowski, seconded by Councilmember Johnston, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion passed by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mayor Mills, Councilmember Green, Councilmember Johnston, Councilmember Padilla, Councilmember Pawlowski, Councilmember Pollack, and Councilmember Taddeo

Absent: 2 - Mayor Pro Tem Cushing, and Councilmember Blackhurst

4. CEREMONIES

5. **PUBLIC INVITED TO BE HEARD ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA**
(Speakers limited to five minutes)

6. **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

7. **RESOLUTIONS**

A. **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIGHTON, COLORADO, APPOINTING THE INDEPENDENT ETHICS COUNSEL AND APPROVING THE LETTER OF ENGAGEMENT FOR AN INDEPENDENT HEARING OFFICER**

Mayor Mills read the title of the Resolution into the record.

City Attorney Alicia Calderón explained that the Ethics Code approved on October 4, 2022 requires that City Council appoint an Independent Ethics Counsel to oversee any complaints, investigations, and enforcement if there were an ethics complaint. This appointment requires a 2/3 majority vote of those Councilmembers in office. The ethics counsel must be a Colorado licensed attorney in good standing. William Tuthill has agreed to serve in this role and has experience in this area. Geoff Wilson has agreed to serve as a hearing officer if a complaint goes to a hearing and is experienced in municipal government.

Motion by Councilmember Padilla, seconded by Councilmember Taddeo, to approve Resolution 2023-07. Motion passed by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mayor Mills, Councilmember Green, Councilmember Johnston, Councilmember Padilla, Councilmember Pawlowski, Councilmember Pollack, and Councilmember Taddeo

Absent: 2 - Mayor Pro Tem Cushing, and Councilmember Blackhurst

8. **UTILITIES BUSINESS ITEMS**

9. **GENERAL BUSINESS**

A. **Review of Charter Adoption and Amendment Procedures**

City Attorney Alicia Calderón presented the overview process regarding the City of Brighton Charter.

10. **REPORTS**

A. **By the Mayor**

Mayor Mills attended the Metro Mayors Caucus retreat, the Police Officer Swearing-in ceremony, and the Chamber luncheon.

B. **By Department Directors**

C. **By the City Attorney**

D. **By the City Manager**

City Manager Michael Martinez announced that there will be a Police Department update monthly.

E. By City Council

Councilmember Taddeo attended the Police Officer Swearing-in ceremony, a ribbon cutting for the Boutique and the Chamber luncheon.

Councilmember Green announced that 27J Schools are closed tomorrow.

Councilmember Pawlowski attended the Police Officer Swearing-in ceremony.

Councilmember Padilla attended the Brighton Cultural Arts Committee meeting.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Councilmember Pawlowski, seconded by Councilmember Padilla, to go into Executive Session for legal advice on specific legal questions relating to Potential Litigation and a Litigation Update under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(b) and City Charter Section 5.4(C)(3). Motion failed by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Mayor Mills, Councilmember Johnston, Councilmember Padilla, Councilmember Pawlowski, and Councilmember Taddeo

No: 2 - Councilmember Green, and Councilmember Pollack

Absent: 2 - Mayor Pro Tem Cushing, and Councilmember Blackhurst

12. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Mills adjourned the meeting at 6:49 p.m.

CITY OF BRIGHTON, COLORADO

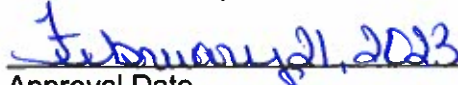


Gregory Mills, Mayor

ATTEST:



Natalie Hoel, City Clerk



Approval Date